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- AN ACT Relating to massage practitioners; amending RCW 18.108.040
- 2 and 18.108.085; and adding a new section to chapter 18.130 RCW.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 18.108.040 and 1991 c 3 s 255 are each amended to read 5 as follows:
- 6 It shall be unlawful to advertise the practice of massage using the
- 7 term massage or any other term that implies a massage technique or
- 8 method in any public or private publication or communication by a
- 9 person not licensed by the secretary as a massage practitioner or
- 10 without displaying in the advertisement the license number of the
- 11 massage practitioner. Any person who holds a license to practice as a
- 12 massage practitioner in this state may use the title "licensed massage
- 13 practitioner" and the abbreviation "L.M.P.". No other persons may
- 14 assume such title or use such abbreviation or any other word, letters,
- 15 signs, or figures to indicate that the person using the title is a
- 16 licensed massage practitioner.
- 17 **Sec. 2.** RCW 18.108.085 and 1991 c 3 s 259 are each amended to read
- 18 as follows:

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- 1 (1) In addition to any other authority provided by law, the 2 secretary may:
- 3 (a) Adopt rules, in accordance with chapter 34.05 RCW necessary to 4 implement this chapter;
- 5 (b) Set all license, examination, and renewal fees in accordance 6 with RCW 43.70.250;
- 7 (c) Establish forms and procedures necessary to administer this 8 chapter;
- 9 (d) Issue a license to any applicant who has met the education, 10 training, and examination requirements for licensure; and
- 11 (e) Hire clerical, administrative, and investigative staff as 12 necessary to implement this chapter, and hire individuals licensed 13 under this chapter to serve as examiners for any practical 14 examinations.
- 15 (2) The uniform disciplinary act, chapter 18.130 RCW, governs the 16 issuance and denial of licenses and the disciplining of persons under 17 this chapter. The secretary shall be the disciplining authority under 18 this chapter.
- 19 (3) As provided in section 3 of this act, the secretary shall
 20 revoke for eight years the license of a massage practitioner who has
 21 been convicted of prostitution under chapter 9A.88 RCW or an equivalent
 22 local ordinance.
- 23 (4) The secretary shall keep an official record of all proceedings 24 under this chapter, a part of which record shall consist of a register 25 of all applicants for licensure under this chapter, with the result of 26 each application.
- NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** A new section is added to chapter 18.130 RCW to read as follows:
- A license issued under chapter 18.108 RCW shall be revoked for 30 eight years upon a finding that the license holder has been convicted 31 of prostitution under chapter 9A.88 RCW or an equivalent local 32 ordinance.

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